## **HOUSE RESOLUTION 65**

## By Swafford

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Marietta Putnam, 2009 Valedictorian of Sequatchie Valley Academy.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Marietta Putnam is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2009 graduating class at Sequatchie Valley Academy; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Marietta has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary grade point average and has demonstrated outstanding leadership through her involvement in numerous extracurricular and civic activities; and

WHEREAS, an active member of her school, Ms. Putnam is an "A" Honor Roll Student and is a member of the Aspire Club, Students of Service Club, Pep Club, Future Teachers of America Club, and the Future Career and Community Leaders of America Club; and

WHEREAS, a leader among her peers, she was elected Class Reporter during her freshman, sophomore, and junior years, and received an Algebra I award during her freshman year; and

WHEREAS, Marietta Putnam is gifted in the area of performing arts and has already begun to make a name for herself in this field, receiving First Place and Prettiest Smile awards at the Fairest of the Fair Pageant during two consecutive years, starring as Mary in a church pageant, and being crowned Miss Bledsoe at the Miss Bledsoe Pageant; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Putnam is a faithful and active member of the West End Church of God in Pikeville, which she serves as a volunteer in the nursery and with the pre-teen Sunday school class, in addition to performing office work for the church; and

WHEREAS, Marietta's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, her noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, George Putnam and Sonya Putnam, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Putnam's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, that we hereby commend and honor the 2009 Sequatchie Valley Academy Valedictorian, Marietta Putnam, on her impressive academic achievement and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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